THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Railway stations selected in Karnataka for the purpose are Krishnarajpuram, Bangalore East, Bangalore Cantonment, Bangalore City-Mysore section at :(Kengeri, Bidadi, Ramanagram, Channapatna, Maddur, Mandya, Pandavapura, Srirangapattana), Madour, Mysore Jn., Ammasandra, Haveri, Mullanur, Hosur, Dharmpuri, Hospet, Koppal, Bhanapur, Hulkoti, Annigeri, Hubli, Pachapur, Sambre and Parakana.

(c) The amount proposed to be spent for the purpose is Rs. 108.71 lakhs.

**Target for model railway station**

1836. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 420, given in the Rajya Sabha on the 22nd November, 2002 and state:

(a) how a model railway station differs from an ordinary railway station; and

(b) the target set for setting up of model railway stations during the Tenth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) With a view to provide upgraded passenger amenities at station, 295 stations have so far been selected as model stations.

(b) No such target has been set up.

**Income of various divisions**

1837. SHRI RAJU PARMAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of income earned through rail fares and freight charges by diferent divisions of railways zones, during the last three years;

(b) whether income of western zone has declined; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) Ministry of Railways maintains accountal of earnings only zonal Railway-wise and these earnings include the traffic of all the Divisions under their respective jurisdictions. Statement of earnings of all zonal Railways through rail fare (*i.e.* passenger and other coaching earnings) and freight (*i.e.* goods earnings) during the last three years is enclosed (*See* below)

(b) No, Sir. Earnings of Western Railway zone from fare and freight taken together has not declined.

(c) Does not arise.

***Statement***

*Details of earnings of all Zonal Railways through Rail fare and freight*

(Rs. in crores)

| Railway | 1999-2000 | | | 2000-01 | | | 2001-02 | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Fare | Freight | Total | Fare | Freight | Total | Fare | Freight | Total |
| CR | 2101.01 | 3228.48 | 5329.49 | 2267.91 | 3363.14 | 5631.05 | 2464.34 | 3961.59 | 6425.93 |
| ER | 989.15 | 2589.92 | 3579.07 | 1054.26 | 2674.98 | 3729.24 | 1155.86 | 2694.64 | 3850.50 |
| NR | 2090.08 | 3951.10 | 6041.18 | 2254.44 | 3884.57 | 6139.01 | 2319.79 | 3907.33 | 6227.12 |
| NER | 590.27 | 417.19 | 1007.46 | 634.27 | 490.20 | 1124.47 | 657.74 | 539.58 | 1197.32 |
| NFR | 225.55 | 432.27 | 657.82 | 232.73 | 512.66 | 745.39 | 264.40 | 664.69 | 929.09 |
| SR | 1074.91 | 1186.35 | 2261.26 | 1177.20 | 1317.31 | 2494.51 | 1276.27 | 1219.00 | 2495.27 |
| SCR | 932.62 | 2241.91 | 3174.53 | 1062.96 | 2492.56 | 3555.52 | 1184.63 | 2540.91 | 3725.54 |
| SER | 690.26 | 5214.03 | 5904.29 | 730.65 | 5784.77 | 6515.42 | 817.19 | 6264.76 | 7081.95 |
| WR | 1687.03 | 2799.74 | 4486.77 | 1832.86 | 2784.91 | 4617.77 | 1894.22 | 3052.90 | 4947.12 |

**Privatisation of Ticket Reservation System**

1838. SHRI RUMANDLA RAAMACHANDRAYYA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Railways are going to privatise ticket reservation system in the country;

(b) whether this will render railwaymen surplus; and

(c) what benefits would accrue to Railways from this new system?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) In order to facilitate Rail reservation and to improve customer service, Passenger Reservation System (PRS)